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GridSuite and PowSyBl:

an Open Source approach to develop advanced tools for grid analysis and simulation of power systems

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Context

RTE's missions

RTE is:

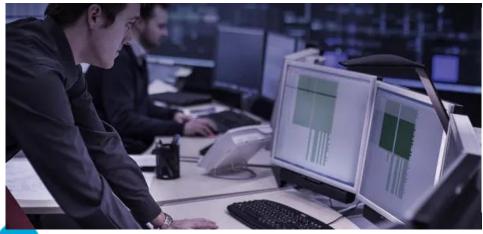
- The French TSO (transmission system operator): has the responsability to operate safely the French electrical Grid (20kV 400 kV) and provide electricity access 24/7
- Assets owner: responsible of its assets renewal policy (billions of euros of investments)
- Responsible to adapt the structure of the grid for the energy transition:
 - Increase interconnections capacities (ex: DC link between France and Ireland)
 - Adapt the grid to the new energy mix: (ex: Build a network to accommodate marine energy sources)





Many challenges in a fast-changing world

- The future holds numerous challenges:
 - helping to achieve the Green Deal's carbon-neutrality target by 2050 by continuing to integrate an increasing amount of renewable energy;
 - supporting the integration of electric vehicles into the power system;
 - supporting decentralised power generation.
- In order to successfully complete the energy transition in accordance with the EU's objectives, transmission systems must continuously come up with novel solutions.
 - RTE must adapt its tools to be compliant with evolving grid codes
 - RTE is actively involved in research programmes seeking to develop technological innovations.







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Power system tools must adapt quickly

- Today's need is not to build a tool to answer present's needs but to build a tool that is flexible enough to integrate quickly and efficiently tomorrow's needs.
- Do we have a precise vision of functionalities that will be required in 5 years? No
- How do we get back control of our future? Open source!







PowSyBI





A software ecosystem dedicated to power grid transmission

- PowSyBI: a set a low-level software components used as a foundation for building power system applications
 - Power Grid Modeling
 - Convenient and rich API to build and update Grid models for study purposes
 - Visualization of grid network and grid substation
 - Grid data format conversion.
 - Standard data format (CIM, UCTE)
 - Commercial tool (PSS/E, PowerFactory) for interoperability
 - Academic data format (IEEE, Matpower)
 - Analysis functions:
 - Power flow calculation
 - Security analysis
 - Sensitivity analysis
 - Short circuit calculation
 - Dynamic (time domain) simulation
 - Mostly Java (17) code, no complex framework, as light as possible.





GridSuite





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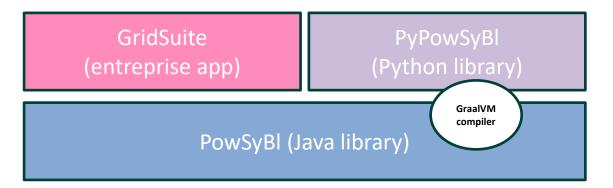
- GridSuite: an application built on top of PowSyBl and used for all power grid studies
 - From real time studies (security analysis) to long term grid planning (studies to connect new renewable generation).
 - In production environment at RTE since end of 2023 for a few early users.
 - Target: 400 users end of 2025 with 24/7 support
 - 20+ developers
 - 100% open-source technical stack with a modern and scalable architecture:
 - Around 40 Micro services, Java, Spring Boot, REST API, RabbitMQ based messaging, PostGreSQL, Elastic search
 - Orchestrated by a k8s cluster
 - Web frontend: ReactJS, DeckGL (WebGL) for high performance grid geographical view.



Industrial use <u>and</u> experimental use: is it PowSyBI?

An architecture to meet both entreprise and research needs

- Technical stack mismatch between
 - Classical entreprise application: technical stack based on Java ecosystem (Spring, Quarkus, etc)
 - Research / data science community: mainly on Python ecosystem.
- How to reconcile these 2 needs and continue to share same building blocks for all our users?
 - Java to native code compilation using GraalVM (https://www.graalvm.org/) to build a C library from all PowSybl Jars
 - Python extension module based on PowSyBl C library





Vital minimum information (because 15 min is way too short for this subject!)

Where is it?

- Useful links
 - https://github.com/powsybl
 - https://github.com/gridsuite
 - PowSyBl LFE: https://lfenergy.org/projects/powsybl/
 - PowSyBl documentation https://www.powsybl.org/
 - PyPowSyBl documentation https://pypowsybl.readthedocs.io/en/stable/
 - GridSuite architecture: https://github.com/gridsuite/documentation
 - Slacks for questions/support powsybl.slack.com and gridsuite.slack.com
 - GridSuite Online demo !! https://demo.gridsuite.org (GH account for login)
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